

Benjamin Franklin was arrested in New York on Wednesday for picking pockets.

It seems that one sitting Bull is better than a standing army.—Chicago Times.

There are millions of mackerel about Nahant, Swampscott and Point Shirley, and fishing is lively.

A Boston Highlands woman horse-whipped her discarded lover for throwing her pet poodle overboard.

Benjamin Franklin was the leading detective in ferreting out the assassins among the Mollie Maguires.

About \$167,000 of the bonds of the Myrtle water works have been secured from the profits of the works the past year.

Mark Twain is to receive \$200 a month, during the approaching lecture season, for lectures composed of selections from his own books.

The House of Representatives has passed a bill granting a pension of fifty dollars a month to the widow of John G. George, a soldier.

There are 704 patients in the Taunton insane retreat, the largest number ever confined there, and still there are a good many lunatics loose.

John B. Chase, who shot and killed one of a crowd of boys who were disturbing his house at Cambridge last spring, has been acquitted of manslaughter.

Boston parties are shipping ice to Washington paying \$2.50 per ton freight. It is reported that the heads of the overworked democratic congressmen.

The report of the New Hampshire Committee on the Apportionment of the State Tax makes the whole valuation of that State \$230,000,000; in 1872 it was \$150,000,000.

It cost Boston \$300,000 to send Denmark and Woods after Windward, and receive dispatches from them as to the condition of the case. The bill has been paid by the city treasurer.

Capt. Webb, the swimmer, will attempt next month to swim from Scotland to Ireland, under the same conditions with which he performed his recent feat in the English Channel.

The intense heat is deadly to the foreigners at Philadelphia. A number of the French Workmen's delegation died Thursday from prostration; and an Italian who arrived on Monday died Friday evening from the same cause.

It has been decided that the monument to Christopher Columbus, in Fairmount Park, will be dedicated on the 4th of October. The monument has already arrived from Italy.

The Leavenworth (Kan.) Pioneers, after their parade on the Fourth held a meeting and voted, as they are now somewhat advanced in years, not to take part in the next centennial celebration. Suitable fellows.

Mr. Henry Waterson, of the Louisville Courier-Journal, is out in a letter accepting the nomination for Congress which was unanimously offered him. It is rumored that the Republican will nominate Bristow against him.

There is a tame machine at the Centennial which manufactures type, polishes it, and sets it in the stick. But it cannot pick out the word upon which the meaning of a sentence depends, and change it so as to drive the editor into paroxysms of despair.

John Ryan, of Dorchester, Mass., an insane man, wandered into the Eagle paper mills Thursday forenoon, and jumped head first into a red hot furnace. Parties standing near at once drew him out by the heels, but he was horribly burned about the head, face and neck, and cannot recover.

The notorious negro W. J. Whipper, who was elected as one of the district judges by the South Carolina Legislature, made a speech in Orangeburg, in that State, a few days ago, in which he declared that he would take possession of a seat upon the bench, and called upon his race to be present and avenge his death if he fell in the struggle.

The display of butter and cheese in the agricultural department at the Centennial exhibition is the largest ever seen. The butter and cheese are from ninety-five manufacturers, one-third of whom are Canadians, who exhibit 23,000 pounds. The United States exhibits display 25,000 pounds.

A Port Jervis (N. Y.) youth had his watch and chain stolen by a pickpocket recently, and the next night his aunt dreamed she saw the thief. The next day while at the next night his aunt dreamed she saw the thief. The next day while at the next night his aunt dreamed she saw the thief.

A Washington despatch reports President Grant as having said recently to a citizen of Ohio, that he considered Governor Hayes's letter in extremely bad taste; that he thought that it reflected upon the present administration, and that he hoped the time would come when the President would be permitted to elect a President for as long a time as they choose.

While the President's reception will be well explained by some feeling like this on his part, it does not seem probable that he would so express himself openly.

A few days ago a citizen of Lansingburgh, N. Y., while rowing on the river at that place, was seized by a boy, who came up from the bottom of the river. His first impulse was to dive into the water, but he was seized by the body he carried to a house, which singularly enough happened to be the residence of the boy's mother, who had until the appearance of the stranger with his body, supposed that her son was in the yard playing. The boy was still warm, and after an hour's rowing the lad was resuscitated. He is well as ever.

The following is the latest account of a middle-aged man, dressed in black, and wearing a felt hat, walked leisurely into a shop, and asked that six or eight pairs of ladies' boots might be sent to a particular address, which happened to be known to the tradesman. The tradesman sent his errand boy, who on arriving at the door was met by the man, who took the boots, and told the boy to run and get a shilling's worth of stamps while the ladies were trying them on. As soon as the boy's back was turned, the man dressed in black walked leisurely away in another direction. He had given the stamps to a girl, who examined the stamps, and the coin on examination at the post office, was found to be a bad one.

Middlebury Register.

SAURDAY JULY 22, 1876.

Republican Nominations.

FOR PRESIDENT,
RUTHERFORD B. HAYES,
OF OHIO.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,
WILLIAM A. WHEELER,
OF NEW YORK.

FOR GOVERNOR,
HORACE FAIRBANKS,
OF ST. JOHNSBURY.

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR,
REDFIELD PROCTOR,
OF RUTLAND.

FOR TREASURER,
JOHN A. PAGE,
OF MONTPELIER.

FOR CLERK OF THE SENATE,
EDWARD SEYMOUR, Vergennes.

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1882. John Mattocks was born in Peacham, Vt., July 19, 1814, and died at St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 13, 1875, aged 61 years and 3 months.

1857. Robert Lewis Ames was born in Shorobam, Vt., Dec. 26, 1827, and died at Mechanicville, N. Y., Jan. 5, 1876, aged 48 years.

1859. S. W. Segar was born in Pittsfield, Vt., and died at Akron, Ohio, Sept. 24, 1875.

1861. Nathan Hall was born in Westminster, Vt., March 7, 1837. He was the son of Edward and Orpha (Goodell) Hall. He died at Whitehall, N. Y., Aug. 11th, 1875, aged 38 years and 5 months.

1865. Ezekiel Webster Dimond was born in Warner, 1837, and died July 1876. He was buried at Hanover, N. H., the 8th inst., aged 39 years.

A procession was formed from the college chapel under the direction of L. D. Eldredge, as marshal, and headed by the Middlebury cornet band, moved to the church, where the literary exercises were held, Rev. E. P. Hooker presiding.

After music by Hatch's band, prayer was offered by Rev. G. F. Montgomery. A. E. Rankin, L. D. of St. Johnsbury, was introduced as the orator of the day.

The speaker addressed the Association upon the somewhat hackneyed theme of education. He apologized for discussing so stupendous a subject, and referred to the history of the value of education, which he said was generally understood.

Defining the meaning of education, he said it meant something more than the ability to read and write. It involves the measure of intelligence which is secured by reading. Classical studies greatly preponderate in this education, and mathematical studies stand next.

Is this all that is necessary for a perfect scholarship? The classical is no longer of exceeding value as a disciplinary course. Classics are of little use except for culture. Some is necessary for an understanding of the spirit of power of ancient literature. He would not underrate the Greek and Roman languages as a source of liberal culture, but they were not the basis of education.

Do we spend too much time on non-essentials? Why should the youth spend so much time upon what they do not need? We dress our minds as we do our bodies. Education is not a mere technical scholarship. There has grown to be too much of what is termed technical scholarship. Mere scholarship is not the end of education. More intellectual knowledge has the influence to repress vice and promote virtue and good citizenship. It is a question of grave interest whether there is a correlation between intelligence and virtue.

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Wednesday morning, Prof. Brainerd for the committee presented the following nominations of officers for the year ensuing:

President, Stephen A. Walker, class of 1858.

Vice presidents: E. P. Hooker, 1855, A. E. Rankin, 1854, S. Knowlton, 1857, N. White, 1858.

Recording Secretary, E. E. Smith, '71.

Corresponding Secretary, R. Wainwright, 1852.

Central committee, N. F. Rider, James M. Slade, R. M. Bailey.

Neurology, Rev. E. P. Hooker, Prof. W. H. Parker, Rev. M. L. Severance.

Substitute, Baxter E. Perry, 1849.

Foot, J. E. Rankin, 1818.

Substitute, W. C. Howard, 1871.

Prof. Parker, as treasurer of the college, and in behalf of the corporation, reported the condition of the finances and other matters of interest in connection with the college.

From this report it appears that the college has a fund of about \$175,000, the proceeds of which are available for the use of the institution. Of this amount the avails of about \$35,000, together with quite a number of scholarships, are to be applied to the assistance of worthy students. There are pending bequests, not yet available, to the amount of about \$25,000.

At 10 o'clock a procession was formed in front of the college by L. D. Eldredge, marshal, and A. W. Lamb, junior, as marshal, and headed by the Germania band marched to the church, where were given the orations and other exercises of the graduating class.

Upon the stage were members of the corporation and faculty, Hon. James Barrett, Rev. Henry Smith, D. D., of Lane Theological Seminary, Hon. E. J. Clark, Burlington, Prof. Chickering, of Amherst, and L. D. Eldredge, marshal of the day.

Prayer was offered by the president. After music by the Germania band, of Boston, the literary exercises followed according to the following programme:

Salutation and Oration.—Extemporaneous. Oration.—C. E. Evans, Langsman, Wales. Oration.—Shelley, W. S. Austin, Tama City, In. Oration.—Political Economy a Popular Science. Oration.—The Law of Heredity.

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The Governorship.

The following is the official correspondence between Hon. Horace Fairbanks and Col. Redfield Proctor and the committee appointed to notify them of their nomination:

VERMONT, VERMONT, June 27, 1876.

HON. HORACE FAIRBANKS.

Dear Sir:—In obedience to instructions from the Republican State Convention held this day in Montpelier, we have the honor to inform you that by the unanimous vote of said Convention, you were nominated as the Republican candidate for Governor to be supported by the freemen of Vermont at the next biennial election. Trusting this nomination will be honored by your early acknowledgment and acceptance, and fully believing it will be confirmed by more than the customary Republican majority of the freemen of Vermont, we remain,

With high regard,
Your obedient servants,
GEO. W. GRANT, Secy.
JOS. POLAND, Com.
GEO. NICHOLS, REPLY.

ST. JOHNSBURY, Vt., July 14, 1876.

GENTLEMEN:

Your letter of the 27th ult. was duly received, conveying official intimation that by the unanimous vote of the State Republican Convention held at Montpelier, I was nominated for Governor, to be supported by the freemen of Vermont at the next biennial election.

If there has been seeming delay in replying to your communication, it has not been from any lack of appreciation of the honor conferred by the Convention. He assured I most fully appreciate the honor bestowed and the high trust and confidence reposed in me by the Convention—and all the more, because such nominations, accepted, have, for many years in our State been a sure promise of an election.

This latter fact occasioned the delay, that I might have time to reflect and deliberate.

An election and acceptance of the office makes me the servant of all the people of the State, demands watchfulness over their many interests, and calls for the performance of many and varied duties, requiring time, labor and experience.

It is needless for me to say that I was wholly surprised by the action of the Convention. My first impulse, and my own judgment prompted an immediate declination of the nomination; not that I would avoid the performance of any public service, if such service lay in the path of duty, but because there are so many men, more experienced, better qualified and having at their command the necessary means, and with the aid of kind Providence, without which nothing can be well done, to faithfully discharge the duties imposed.

Allow me, in closing, to express to you, and through you to the members of the Convention, my most grateful and hearty thanks for the distinguished honor, trust and confidence which their action has conferred upon me.

With sentiments of high regard,
I am very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
HORACE FAIRBANKS.

To
HON. GEO. W. GRANT, Secy.
HON. JOSEPH POLAND, Com.
HON. GEORGE N